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7	BEFORE THE	
8	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS	
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
10	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 2013 - 802
11	NIRUPMA JOY SAMUEL, AKA	20,7 002
12	NIRUPMA SINGH, AKA NIRUPMA SAMUEL	ACCUSATION
13	1412 Halesia Lane	
14	Oxnard, CA 93030	
15	Registered Nurse License No. 795098	
16	Respondent.	
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18	Complainant alleges:	
19	<u>PARTIES</u>	
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her	
21	official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of	
22	Consumer Affairs.	
23	2. On or about April 1, 2011, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered Nurse	
24	License Number 795098 to Nirupma Joy Samuel, aka Nirupma Singh, aka Nirupma Samuel	
25	(Respondent). The Registered Nurse License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to	
26	the charges brought herein and will expire on February 28, 2015, unless renewed.	
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## **JURISDICTION**

3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.

## STATUTORY PROVISIONS

- 4. Section 2750 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- 5. Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811(b) of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
  - 6. Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

- "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- "(4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional licensing board. A certified copy of the decision or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that action.

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- 7. Section 141 of the Code states:
- "(a) For any licensee holding a license issued by a board under the jurisdiction of the department, a disciplinary action taken by another state, by any agency of the federal government, or by another country for any act substantially related to the practice regulated by the California

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license, may be a ground for disciplinary action by the respective state licensing board. A certified copy of the record of the disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or another country shall be conclusive evidence of the events related therein.

"(b) Nothing in this section shall preclude a board from applying a specific statutory provision in the licensing act administered by that board that provides for discipline based upon a disciplinary action taken against the licensee by another state, an agency of the federal government, or another country."

## **COST RECOVERY**

8. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case, with failure of the licentiate to comply subjecting the license to not being renewed or reinstated. If a case settles, recovery of investigation and enforcement costs may be included in a stipulated settlement.

## **CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE**

(Disciplinary Action by Nevada State Board of Nursing)

- 9. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under section 2761 subdivision (a)(4) in that on or about June 2, 2011, Respondent was subject to discipline through an Agreement for Reprimand by the Nevada State Board of Nursing (NSBN) in the administrative matter entitled In the Matter of Nirupma Samuel Licensed Professional Nurse, Nevada License No. TRN 329015, Case No. 1053-10C. The Agreement for Reprimand is final and incorporated herein in full. The circumstances are as follows:
- 10. On or about October 5, 2010, Respondent administered intravenous medication to two (2) different patients using the same syringe/vial, left an unlabeled syringe at a patient's bedside, and failed to document a verbal order in violation of Nevada Revised Statutes 632.320